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In addition to subject mentioned DEPTTEL 576, I propose discuss following matters at forthcoming audience with King Saud:

- (1) His efforts mediate between Syrians and Turks (Dhahran's 213 to Department);
- (2) Syrian activities neighboring states; (Department circular telegram 365).
- (3) Yasin's remarks re Oman (DEPTTEL 486 and EMBTEL 394).
- (4) Appointment Gen. Clark as new chief USMTM and commander second air division (DEPTTEL 572). I presume formal communication should also mention "chief United States mission at Dhahran airfield (EMBTELS 655 and 656).

Would appreciate comment re these or instructions re any other subjects Department may wish have me raise, e.g. Turkish position re Syrian situation (Ankara EMBTEL 1153 to Department) and King's views on DLF-type aid to Saudi Arabia (Department circular telegram 368).

On latter, as mentioned to Wiens (ICA) during his recent visit Jidda, I have thought Department might wish consider dropping Dammam port grant-aid project and suggest in lieu thereof loan in substantially large figure or Riyadh-Jidda railway construction last mentioned by King at my audience August 31 (Embassy despatch 40).

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